Performance of Viable NTC Mills

*298. DR. ALLADI P. RAJ KUMAR:
SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the accumulated losses of NTC mills; and

(b) the rehabilitation proposal envisaged to improve the performance of the viable mills through modernization?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA): (a) The accumulated loss of NTC Group of Companies upto 31.3.99 is Rs. 6337 crores (Provisional).

(b) On the basis of a unit-wise viability study made by NTC, Government is considering a revised turn around plan for the viable subsidiaries of NTC alongwith the viable mills under them keeping in view the BIFR norms of net worth of these mills turning positive within the period prescribed by BIFR.

Communally Sensitive Districts

*299. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified communally sensitive districts affected by left extremists and prone to caste tension;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Central and State Governments to maintain peace and harmony in these districts?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) As per information available, a 'statement' indicating the present number of districts which have been identified as communally sensitive and affected by Left extremists and prone to caste tensions is attached. (*See* below).

(c) 'Public Order' and 'Police' are State Subjects as per the Constitution of India and Maintenance of Law and Order as well as Prevention of Crime are primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the following steps have been taken by the Central Government to assist in maintaining law and order and communal harmony:—

(i) Sharing of intelligence with the State Governments.

(ii) Sending advisories to the State Governments from time to time.

(iii) Assisting the State Governments by providing the Central Para-Military Forces on specific requests. A special Force called the Rapid Action Force has been created for controlling communal riots.

(iv) Providing financial assistance for modernisation/upgradation of their policing infrastructure.

(v) A coordination Centre has been set up headed by the Union Home Secretary with Chief Secretaries and Directors General of Police of State seriously affected by the Left Wing Extremism as its Members, to review and coordinate the steps taken by these States to check extremist activities and monitor plan of action in this regard. Some State Governments have also set up exclusive Special Courts.

Statement

Districts Prone to Communal/Tension, Left Wing Extremism and Caste Tension

	State	No. of districts affected	Total
Left extremist Affected	Andhra Pradesh	6	
	Bihar	10	
	Madhya Pradesh	7	
	Maharashtra	3	
	Orissa	5	31
Communally Sensitive	Andhra Pradesh	5	
	Assam	5	
	Bihar	9	
	Delhi	4	
	Gujarat	7	
	Karnataka	4	
	Madhya Pradesh	15	
	Maharashtra	9	
	Manipur	4	
	Orissa	5	
	Rajasthan	16	
	Tamil Nadu	2	
	Uttar Pradesh	24	
	West Bengal	3	112
Prone to Caste tensions	Andhra Pradesh	1	
	Bihar	6	
	Karnataka	5	
	Maharashtra	1	
	Orissa	4	
	Tamil Nadu	4	
	Uttar Pradesh	3	24

*Some of these districts figure in more than one category.